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New Officers Are Elected for Extra Curricular Activities in Q. A. S.

Responsible and dependable Seniors head the Orchestra this term. They are President, Julie Ryback; Vice President, Stephanie Olkowski; Secretary, Joan Ruppert; Treasurer, Nora Ferrari.

Besides a good voice, a wonderful and pleasing personality is always associated with the Glee Club's President, Pat Compitello; and Vice President, Rose Ann Brigandi.

Because of the skill they have shown in basketball since their Freshmen year Ilda Curcio and Margaret Teague were elected Captain and Co-Captain of the team.

If the freshmen want to learn the latest cheers Winifred McArdle and Joyce Skorska Captain and Co-Captain of the Cheerleaders will be the perfect ones to show them. There is also a team in training of which Yvette Garcia is Captain and Carole Saradegna—Co-Captain.

Aiding the Missions is the main aim of Dorothy Hnat, President; Nancy Quinn, Vice President; Julie Bamonte, Secretary; and Adele Bailey, Treasurer; and that is the reason why they were chosen officers of the C.S.M.C.

Faithful to Mary and Our Lady of Good Shepherd Praesidium are Kathleen Rash, President; Eileen Quinn, Vice President; Helen Stubel, Secretary; Mary Eaton, Treasurer.

Because of their devotion to Mary and willingness to serve her, Susan Moehringer and Jo Ann Scuderi have been elected President and Vice President of the Channel of the Holy Spirit Praesidium. Margaret McCauley and Cecelia Clynes were selected as Secretary and Treasurer.

"Requiescat in Pace"

On All Souls Day the Church lost a great spiritual leader, the Most Rev. Edmund Joseph Reilly, Auxiliary Bishop of Brooklyn. In Our Lady of Angels Church, where Bishop Reilly was pastor, Bishop McEntegart celebrated a Solemn Pontifical Requiem Mass on Friday, Nov. 7. During his life, which began on March 25, 1897, the sixty-one year old bishop was ardently devoted to the duties of the priesthood. After completing his high school course in St. Fidelis', he entered St. John's Seminary to study theology. He showed such vigor in his first assignment, St. James Pro-Cathedral, that he was soon elevated to the position of Vice Chancellor. From there he was appointed pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas and subsequently became the pastor of Our Lady of Angels parish. His untiring love for the Blessed Virgin is evident in his choice of a motto—"Queen of Heaven Our Hope". The prayers of the students of Q.A.S. unite with those of Catholics everywhere in the hope that he will be united with the one he loved so dearly.

GLEE CLUB AND ORCHESTRA TO TAKE AUDIENCE TO MELODY LAND

To show off the latent talents of their members, the orchestra and glee club will give a concert for their parents and friends in the auditorium on Sunday, November 23, with a matinee performance for the grammar school. A delightful program of folk dancing and interpretations is also planned.

The girls in these activities, for the most part, have never received formal lessons and are excellent examples of the adage "Practice makes perfect." An enthusiastic spirit and some knowledge of music are the only requirements for joining the orchestra. Obviously, a fairly good voice is also essential for the glee club.

Sister Inviolata Maria, moderator of the orchestra, announces that "La Paloma" and "Hansel and Gretel" will be the first numbers on the program which also includes a few waltzes and novelties. The orchestra boasts of a capable new director, Miss Theresa Marandino, and a new base violin.

"Ave Maria" and "Winter Wonderland" are two of the four numbers which will be sung by the Glee Club, directed by Miss Spera. Sister Maria George is the moderator.

Who Is "Queenie"?

"Queenie" is ferocious,
"Queenie" is sweet.
"Queenie" is adorable.
Someone you'd like to meet.
When? November 26
Where? Catherine McAuley

Time Marches On

Through the enterprising plans of our educational-minded principal, Sister Natalie Maria, the girls of Q. A. S. are soon to become the participants in a special curriculum enrichment program. Sister has been responsible in securing the following for the use of the students:

- a Micro-Projector for the Biology Lab.
- a telephone amplifier for use between classrooms (through the courtesy of the New York Telephone Company)
- new religion books for the third termers entitled *The Triumph of Faith* by Sister Vincent Loretto, Mother Mary Simeon, and William J. Reddy.
- new biology texts for the freshmen, *Biology* for *Catholic High Schools* by Mother Celeste.
- a movie projector

Sister Natalie Maria is also planning a series of educational films in fields of science (in cooperation with the education department's request for emphasis in this field) math, history, safety, health, and other subjects, to be shown to the students FREE of charge.

Au Revoir

Each new school term brings faculty changes. The students greet new members warmly and cheerfully, naturally these feelings are not unmixed with sadness for those who have left or have been transferred. It is with deep regret that students note the absence of Father Otera: religious instructor and advisor; Sister Maria Louise: English teacher, librarian, dramatics coach, teacher of library science, and moderator of the basketball team and cheerleader squad; Sister Mary Cecilia, director of the orchestra; Miss Cassotta: head of the physical education and health department; and Miss Ungaro: head of the art department.

Father Otera, whose zealous instructions and cheerfulness in distributing report cards was an inspiration to all, is now engaged in other parish activities including that of spiritual director of the Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality.

Sister Maria Louise, the kind, genial, self-sacrificing librarian was transferred to St. Joseph's Academy, Brentwood, where she is librarian, library science teacher and religion teacher.

The excellent and energetic conductor of the Q. A. S. orchestra, Sister Mary Cecilia, is kept busy at Fontbonne Hall where her time is absorbed by teaching music and directing the glee club. Sister also directs the community orchestra of the Sisters of St. Joseph.

Miss Cassotta, popular and well-liked coach of the basketball team now teaches at P. S. 54.

The cheerful and capable head of the art department, Miss Ungaro, has now retired.

L. SKALKA
P. MONE

Long Live the Pope!

As the white smoke issued from the chimney of the Sistine Chapel, on October 28th, the world rejoiced at the election of a new Pope. Angelo Guiseppe Cardinal Roncalli, 76 years of age, the son of a simple farmhand is now Pope John XXIII.

Although we were saddened by the loss of one so dear as Pius XII, we all anticipate the reign of the new Pontiff. His face is kind and gentle; his manner warm and friendly. We do not question his spiritual stamina or his ability as a diplomat, for it was because of this, that he was bestowed the honor of becoming a Cardinal.

The Vicar of Christ ascending the Throne of Peter will undoubtedly receive the honor and tribute due him. Catholic teenagers throughout the world unite to echo the cry: "Long Live the Pope!"

A High School Student's Reaction to the Death of a Pope

1939—Eugenio Pacelli has just ascended the Papal throne. He was heard to utter the words, "Miserere mei Deus".

1958—Eugenio Pacelli, Pope Pius XII is dead. The high school student prays that this plea has been answered, and all the world mourns the death of him who was deemed "Pope of Peace".

The high school student fully realizes the great responsibilities which had burdened the Pope. He knows, too, the tremendous weight of those that await the Pope's successor. Because of a current interest aroused in world affairs by required studies the student can truly understand why Pope Pius has been so respected by people of all faiths throughout the world. He appreciates that this Pope was truly a Holy Father who steadfastly cared for his children.

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Freshmen, what do you think of the Seniors?

Quite nice but sometimes they think they own the school.

Rose Nicosia 1A4—503

Some of them are nice, but others WELL . . .

Ann Marie Sullivan 1A3—Art Room

Seniors, what do you think of the Freshmen?

They should associate more with the lower Sophomores and Seniors.

Stephanie Olkowski
and Cathy Tierney 2B1—401

The Freshmen are very eager and willing to fit in with the rest of the school.

Julie Rybak 2B2—501

The Day It Rained

Dark, ominous clouds hovered over the city yielding their moisture uncontrollably. Many of us returning home from a long, hard day of work and labor sought shelter in the doorways of stores and other such establishments. Everyone was waiting for the same thing, a bus which would deliver them to a place of warmth and comfort, home.

Young women, presumably secretaries, could be seen valiantly trudging along, carefully measuring the forcefulness of their steps for fear of slipping with "spiked" heels. Men were there, wearily supporting a wall, their faces and clothing besmudged with the dirt and dust of honest toil while, as the rain beat against their faces, weird paths could be distinguished beneath the lowered caps. Little children seemingly unconcerned over the dilemma jogged merrily along wearing their boots, raincoats and their yellow "slickers" with hats to match, enjoying every minute of a childhood experience. Among these also were the high school girls, heroically shielding their books while their hair, wet and straight clung to their faces in a most unattractive manner.

There they stood, huddled together, as if awaiting judgment, stranger talking to stranger discussing their predicament and relieving their tensions. Finally, as the bus stopped to admit its passengers one could not help but pity the harried driver as he collected soggy transfers, gave away dimes and nickels in exchange for cold, damp quarters and glanced at passes. True, it was crowded and many had no alternative but to stand, yet there was a look of relief on each face and as the rain pattered endlessly against the windows we knew that none of us were really strangers but merely old acquaintances brought together by a rainy day and a late bus.

Thought for November

"It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead."

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Femmes and Fashions

In past weeks, an interesting figure was frequently seen scurrying about the halls of our beloved school. Investigations revealed that it was the inquisitive fashion editor asking girls this question:

What do you think of the new styles? Here are some of the interesting answers she received.

"Too impractical."
M. Lammens—2A

"They have no shape!"
C. Piazza—1A1

"Ridiculous!"
M. Barette—1A1

"Just a passing fad."
M. McLoughlin—1A3

"Men don't like them and women dress to please men."
D. Miller—2B2

"Very grotesque."
A. Bailey—2B1

"Modest."
A. Belmonte—2B2

"Absurd and ridiculous."
V. McCabe—2A

"I like them because they're comfortable."
C. Tierney—2B1

"Fits my figure!"
C. Olszewska—2A

After reading the opinions above, it is evident that the girls of Q.A.S. do not like the new style dresses (chemise, trapese, and balloon) and believe they will not last much longer.

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Gleaner Staff Elect New Editor

At the first "Gleaner" meeting held this year, Helen Barnett was elected the new editor. Helen, who has been a member of the "Gleaner" staff since she first entered Q.A.S. is taking over the job last filled so efficiently by Penelope Bussard, who is now in Bishop McDonnell.

Helen, besides writing for the "Gleaner" plays the clarinet in the school orchestra and is a member of the Blessed Virgin Sodality and Confraternity in St. Benedict Joseph Labre Parish in Richmond Hill. She is an honor student and last year won the Bishop McEntegart Scholarship which exempts her from paying tuition if she can maintain a 90 or above average in her marks. Her two favorite subjects are world history and English. She believes that nothing can take the place of hard work and has promised that she will work to make the "Gleaner" the best high school paper in the Diocese of Brooklyn and with her determination and energy she is sure to achieve her goal.

NEW FACES AT FAMILIAR PLACES

"Q.A.S. is a changed place." This is the frequent remark of many sober sophomores, but it surely has not changed in spirit. Among the changes are four new members of the faculty.

FATHER HURLEY

Reverend Father Robert F. Hurley, newly appointed spiritual director, is a veteran of three parishes—St. Boniface, St. Patrick's, Huntington, and St. Ann's, Ridgewood.

In the midst of his busy schedule, Father hopes to continue his religious instructions during religion classes and also include conferences in the lower church on Mondays. The addition of a blackboard will greatly improve these instructions.

When asked to give his impression of the girls, Father's eyes gleamed and, with a cheerful smile, he replied: "I think they're all a bunch of villains." Seriously, he said "that the girls are a credit to their homes, their teachers, and, above all, to their school."

Distributing beloved report cards is another of Father's duties, but with his sense of humor and personality it will not be such a dreaded event.

MISS BELLOSO

A native New Yorker, Miss Josephine Margaret Belloso received her art education at Marymount College, where she was editor of her school paper, photographic editor of her yearbook, head of the Press Dances and Art Director of the business magazine. She was always enthusiastic about art and desired to make it her career. Miss Belloso believes that girls studying for a teaching career should pay attention to the way the subject matter is presented to them because this is just as important as knowing the subject. The real art of teaching, however, is to get your students to understand the subject and become interested in it.

With the limited free time she has, Miss Belloso is studying for a Master's degree at City College. She enjoys the theater, sculpture, reading and, above all, traveling. A visit to Venezuela and Colombia last summer proves that she doesn't believe in all work and no play.

What about Rock 'n Roll? "Well . . . moderation should be your keynote."

MISS MARANDINO

A graduate of Fontbonne Hall and a student at New York University, Miss Teresa Marandino is a native of Brooklyn who decided on a musical career after meeting Sister Mary Cecelia, music teacher at Fontbonne Hall.

Now working for a Masters Degree, Miss Marandino also teaches music and gives piano lessons four days a week at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Elementary and High School, Brooklyn.

A master of every instrument in the orchestra, her favorites are the piano and the bass violin.

What is her opinion of Q.A.S.? "The girls do a magnificent job with the facilities and the amount of practice they have. Their spirit is wonderful. I enjoy working with them and I'll be sorry to lose those who will leave in February."

Without a doubt, the girls like and respect their competent new leader. A wonderful person and musician, she is an inspiration to all the girls she teaches.

SISTER MARGARET IMMACULATE

Sister Margaret Immaculate, the new librarian was born in Brooklyn, New York and, like all Sisters of Saint Joseph, spent her novitiate at Brentwood, Long Island. She received her B.A. at Manhattan College and M.L.S. at St. John's University in Brooklyn, N. Y. Before coming here, Sister taught the eighth grade in Ascension Parish, Elmhurst, Long Island. St. James Visitation and Our Lady of Sorrows are among her former teaching assignments.

Sister teaches English, religion and library science and is moderator of the basketball team and the cheerleader squad. She is now engaged in placing many new and currently popular books on the shelves and thus hopes to increase the circulation of worthwhile reading matter in Q.A.S.

Sister thinks Q.A.S. is "just marvelous."

MISS CALLAHAN

Miss Patricia Helene Callahan, physical education and health teacher, was born in Brooklyn and now lives in Elmont, Long Island. While attending Adelphi College, in Garden City, she was captain of the basketball and softball teams, Secretary of the Majors Club, and a member of the French Society and school paper.

Interested in teaching since her high school days, Miss Callahan was impressed by her health education teacher. Her advice to future teachers is to have patience, tolerance, and obedience, and to advance their education as far as possible.

When not teaching at Q.A.S. or St. Joseph's College for Women, you will probably find her working on her thesis for her Master's degree in health education at New York University.

Miss Callahan likes the girls in Q.A.S. and the girls most assuredly like her.

There Oughta' Be A Law . . . There Is!

Just what is a Student Council and what is its function? It is an organization of the students, elected by them to serve as their official representatives in all matters of concern to the entire school.

It is a forum through which problems are discussed, student opinion is voiced, suggestions are made and programs are arranged for the betterment of the entire student body.

Last year, Queen of All Saints organized its first Student Council and elected student officers of the school. This year, it has been admitted to membership in the National Association of Student Councils.

In a September Assembly, under the supervision of S. Beata Virginia, the new officers, Mary Mone and Camella De Trano, were inducted and pledged their loyalty to the school and its traditions. At the present time, the Student Council is busy planning and writing a constitution. Its members will always appreciate hearing the views of the students whom they represent.

The S.S.L. works as an auxiliary of the Student Council. Carolyn Ingram, the captain asks the cooperation of every girl in keeping Q. A. S. clean, quiet, and orderly.

The Legion of Mary Plans An Active Fall Season

In addition to the Mother of Good Shepherd Praesidium, which meets on Wednesday from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m., a new praesidium, the Channel of the Holy Spirit, is being formed by Sister Illuminata. The meetings will be held in the school library from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., Monday.

The legionaries do excellent work at the Industrial Home for the Blind, Anthonian Hall, and the Convent of Mercy weekly. Preparations are now under way for a Carnival at the Industrial Home for the Blind.

Future plans include a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, Brooklyn, and preparations for Christmas parties at St. Rose, Anthonian Hall, other hospitals, and a week end retreat for both active and auxiliary members.

It's All in the Game

Under the careful supervision of Miss Callahan, coach, and Sister Margaret Immaculate, moderator, the basketball team is looking forward to a victorious season. True, many good players were lost in June, but the freshmen show excellent signs of ability and spirit. The team is eagerly looking forward to their first game which may be on November 5th with St. Joseph's Commercial. The Cheerleaders certainly need little encouragement to cheer the team to victory this year.

Schedule of Basketball Games:

Nov. 5—St. Joseph's Commercial (tentative)
Nov. 20—St. Angela Hall (tentative)
Nov. 26—Catherine McAuley (confirmed)
Dec. 9—Mary Louis Academy (confirmed)
Dec. 17—St. Joseph's Academy, Brentwood (tentative)
Jan. 9—St. Bartholomew (scrimmage game confirmed)
Feb. 11—Our Lady of Perpetual Help (confirmed)
Mar. 10—Mary Louis Academy (confirmed)

Math Is Now a Must

Ever since it was first taught, the rumor has persisted that math is a subject that no one but a "brain" can really understand. Now the Board of Regents is trying to prove that this impression is wrong by stressing the practical application of math and its vital importance in this age. Accordingly it has announced that from now on it will be a compulsory subject in the 10th year of all New York State high schools.

In order to carry out the policy of the Board, Sister St. Michael has stated that the course in algebra will concentrate more on graphs and charts because they prepare students for their future life. There will also be less theorems and propositions to memorize in geometry, a thought which will probably send all Q. A. S. sophomores into seventh heaven.

"Come One, Come All" . . . and They Came!

In celebration of Hallowe'en, the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade, under the direction of Sister Patricia Maria, held its annual dance in the lower church on Thursday, Oct. 30. The proceeds went to the Propagation of the Faith.

Surprises, food, dancing and fun with a capital "F" were in store for all who participated. The biggest success of the afternoon was the entertainment. Songs and skits drew unlimited applause from everyone.

The musical belles were Nora Ferrari, Mary Normandy, Margaret Klein, and Elsa Gomez. Julia Skinner and Denise Mortell performed as dancers and Bernadine Jaworski made her debut as a commedienne.

Miss Q.A.S.

Succeeding Barbara Mantone as "Miss Q.A.S." is pert, vivacious, dark-haired Julia Bamonte of 2B2. Looking resplendent as she was crowned and receiving the lovely bouquet of red roses presented by a fellow contestant, Julia resembled every bit her newly acquired title. The other candidates, Joan Geiger of 2A; Lillian Ruppert 1A1; Madelyn Nachnik 1A2; Janet Pirillo 1A3; and Rose Nicosia representing 1A4, formed the honor guard which escorted the new queen down the aisle. Along with the coronation ceremony was a variety program. Chris Olszewska and Cookie Graniella did their famous polka, Nora Ferrai and Elsa Gomez offered songs and graceful Pat Celufo performed a dance, "The Butterfly." There was also a short speech by the orchestra's president, Julie Rybak, expressing the gratitude of the entire orchestra, for as a result of the money collected, they were able to buy the much needed bass-violin.

Again—congratulations to Julia and all the other participants.

Class Officers

2B1-401
President: Joan Sirica
Vice President: Adele Bailey
Secretary: Pat Mone
Treasurer: Nancy Quinn

2B2-501
President: Ann D'Aquila
Vice-President: Pat Celufo
Secretary: Rosemarie D'Angelo
Treasurer: Dorothy Miller

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President: Maria Merone
Vice President: Mary Cabinos
Secretary: Patricia Newman
Treasurer: Barbara LaManna

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Vice President: Annette Colavita
Secretary: Barbara Jablonsky
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Secretary: Carole Sardegna
Treasurer: Autilia Caruso

1A3-Art Room
President: Angela Di Chiari
Vice President: Susan Sabol
Secretary: Virginia Macsuga

1A4-503
President: Mary Ellen Walter
Vice President: Barbara Johnson
Secretary: Elsa Gomez

Gleaner Staff Attend Press Conferences

Determined that this year the "Gleaner" will be the best high school paper in the Diocese of Brooklyn, various members of the staff attended two press conferences in order to learn how to turn out a better paper.

The first of these conferences was the Catholic Publications Conference, held on Saturday, September 27, 1958 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Fordham University Campus in the Bronx, New York. Various panels were conducted by experts on such topics as "Gathering Facts for Your Column" and "The Layout of Your Newspaper." Sister Loretto Veronica, moderator of the "Gleaner", attended, accompanied by Monica Besaraba, Kathleen Scialo, Virginia Jacques and Joan Winslow.

The second conference was held in the reception room of Loew's State Theatre on Monday, October 6, 1958 from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. The editors and associate editors of all New York junior and senior high school papers were invited to hear the motion picture critics of eight New York dailies discuss various topics dealing with motion pictures. Among the subjects talked about were censorship, foreign pictures, a critic's job and the qualities of a good motion picture. Helen Barnett, Mary Cabinos and Monica Besaraba represented the "Gleaner" at this meeting.